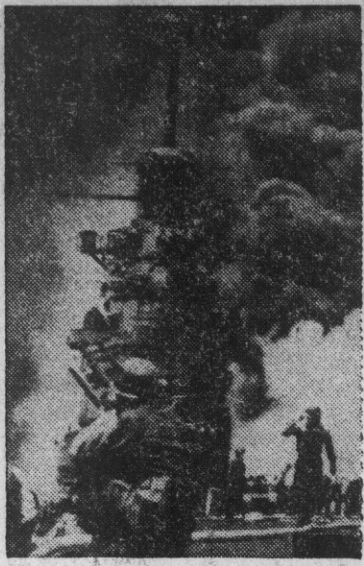




Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, swept the U. S. into war. On December 8 declaration of war was signed. In his "State of the Union" address to the 78th Congress, the late President Roosevelt pledges that the Axis powers will be crushed.

The Burma Road—lifeline of China and vital in the battle of supplies. Japanese threw Allied troops out of Burma and completed isolation of Chinese. A new road had to be built by Chinese and Americans through miles of jungle. It was slow work but the Burma route was reopened.



The way to victory was hard but winning of Guadalcanal, New Guinea, the Philippines spelled defeat for Japan. The island jumping, which disorganized and drove Japan back, is climaxed by the flag raising at Iwo Jima.

The imperial fleet was wiped out. To combat U. S. sea power, Japanese organized attacks of suicide bombers like the one above. Crew of USS Bunker Hill fights to control flames where suicide plane crashed into flight deck.

Steady raids of B-29s were battering Japan's war industries.



The empire was tottering. A surprise weapon, the atomic bomb, destroyed 60% of the industrial city of Hiroshima—and Japanese morale. Above, the plant at Oak Ridge, Tenn., where part of secret bomb project is located.

Two days after the Hiroshima attack a second atomic bomb struck Japan. Russia declared war. Soviet soldiers like the one above, a Korean in the Far Eastern Army, made tremendous gains in enemy-held Manchuria. Faced with certain defeat, Japan surrendered.



At Cairo, Egypt, three great Allies met to make plans for destruction of the Japanese Empire. L to r: Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, the late President Roosevelt, and former Prime Minister Churchill.

Defeat of Japan was assured at Big Three meeting in Potsdam, Germany, where the USSR pledged herself to enter the Pacific War, following an earlier pledge at Yalta. L to r: Prime Minister Clement Attlee, President Harry S. Truman and Premier Joseph Stalin. (Federated Pictures)



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## Plan For Jobless In State

San Francisco, Calif.

Recognizing the emergency created by the sudden ending of the war, C. J. Haggerty, Secretary of the California State Federation of Labor made immediate preparations to contact the California Congressmen by arranging meetings between them and representatives of the labor movement both in the northern and southern parts of the state.

The purpose of these meetings is to impress upon the California legislators the need of enacting the various legislative bills now pending in Congress and dealing with every phase of the reconversion program. In the opinion of Secretary Haggerty this is a minimum objective to be attained without a minute's delay.

To supplement this move, the Secretary is also planning to call a meeting of representatives of Central Labor Councils in the northern part of the state, to be followed by a similar meeting of council representatives in Southern California. These meetings will take up the various problems confronting labor as a result of the ending of hostilities, and the imperative need of continuing full employment. Aware of the requirement to act hurriedly and effectively, the Federation Secretary is proceeding full speed ahead to mobilize the Federation to meet the new situation. No avenue will be left unexplored in developing a transition program that will not dislocate industry and bring disaster.

The unions and councils will be kept informed of all developments. Now more than ever, it is necessary for labor to act unitedly.

We can thank Mother Nature for devising our hinges so it's awkward to pat ourselves on the back.

## Fair Practice Initiative To Be Supported

San Francisco, Calif.

Attorney-General Robert W. Kenny announces that supporters of the fight for a state Fair Employment Practices Committee law are being asked to approve and finance the placing of a state FEPC initiative measure on the ballot in 1946.

Kenny, as honorary chairman of the State-wide Committee for a California Fair Employment Practices Commission, has sent a letter to all members and supporters of the committee, which backed A.B. 3, the state FEPC bill, at the recent session of the California State Legislature.

**FIGHT TO GO ON**  
The letter, signed also by Bartley C. Crum, Northern California chairman, and Walter Wanger, Southern California chairman, notes the fight for A.B. 3 "which made a deep impression in Sacramento, even though it was unsuccessful in its main objective."

"We believe," the letter states, "that it is our duty to carry on this fight without slackening. We believe that preparations should now be begun to place this issue squarely before the voters of the State in 1946, by collecting enough signatures to place the measure on the ballot."

## WIN HIGHER WAGE FOR WORKER USED IN GRAIN ELEVATOR

Kansas City, Missouri

Terminal grain elevator workers received wage increases of 5c an hour as the result of a re-survey and revised approval for higher wage brackets. About 300 workers, members of the Flour, Feed, Cereal, Seed House and Grain Elevator Workers Union (AFL), are affected.

## In Union Circles

New labor council delegates include Robert Arnold, from Sugar Workers 20616 and E. R. Silk of Electricians 243.

A special committee still is working on plans for a new Labor Temple for labor here. Reports are given at each labor council meeting.

Secretary George Harter of the Salinas labor council has succeeded W. G. Kenyon, former secretary, on the executive board of the Community War Fund of Salinas.

Trying to determine what would be a suitable memento to be presented to Retiring Secretary Bud Kenyon of the labor council for his five years of good service is a committee including Brothers Harter, Courtright and Lyons.

## Glider Cutback Disemploys Big Crew at Plants

Kansas City, Mo.

Termination of glider contracts at the Commonwealth Aircraft plant here will throw 1600 workers out of jobs soon. This is the latest in a series of war contract terminations. To date the war cutbacks have had little effect on the labor market. Most workers thrown out of employment have found other war plant jobs.

## AFL GETS BARGAIN RIGHTS FOR LABOR IN MILLING FIRM

Kansas City, Mo.

After many years of organizational attempts at the Staley Milling Co. in North Kansas City, AFL unions have finally won collective bargaining rights. Workers at two Staley plants voted 4 to 1 in an NLRB election for representation by the American Federation of Grain Processors.

## Presbyterians Urge 60 Million Job Plan

Norman, Okla.

The Westminster Fellowship of the Presbyterian student church at the University of Oklahoma unanimously adopted a resolution for 60,000,000 jobs which was forwarded to the Oklahoma congressional delegation.

## OH, THESE DAILIES!

New York had one of its biggest laughs recently at the expense of the New York Times. The 5 a.m. edition of the Times on July 26 came out with the headline: "NARROW CHURCHILL MAJORITY FORESEEN IN BRITISH ELECTION." By the time the readers got that edition, the British Tories had taken a terrible lacing at the hands of the Labor Party. But, then, we in the United States are used to it—the American newspapers always had London, Willkie and Dewey "cinch" winners the day before the elections. The common people would read the headlines, smile, vote for Roosevelt, then smile again!

## Unions Played Lead Role in 'Atomic Bomb' Development

By GRACE HOOD

Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Behind the best-guarded secret of the war, the development of the mighty atomic bomb, is the story of tens of thousands of men and women, working grimly, steadfastly in a race against time.

Here at Oak Ridge, one of the three cities which sprang up overnight as part of the project, workers today are wearing proud smiles at the news that the product they have been secretly working on shortened the war considerably and saved thousands of lives. But for two years they worked on faith alone, many of them not even sure they were making anything. They saw huge quantities of material going into the plants but nothing coming out.

**END CONFUSION**

In this way the conference will clear up public confusion as to which of these projects are strictly of a low-level nature, for flood control solely, and which are possible of development for power, irrigation and navigation as well as flood control.

The multi-purpose development proposed by the Bureau of Reclamation provides for an additional expenditure of \$800,000,000 in California, involving 600 million man-hours of work. Earlier announced flood-control plans of the Army Engineers call for a \$400,000,000 expenditure, with approximately half as much employment.

The Army has since expressed itself as in favor of multi-purpose development of the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers. The Secretary of the California District Council No. 2 of Laundry Workers met at Fresno last Sunday with representation from nearly all local unions in the state taking part in important business, including appointment of new officers to succeed those who resigned.

Norman Smith, council president, and Ray Manbeck, vice-president, resigned, Smith becoming organizer for the Winery Workers at Livermore, and Manbeck retiring from his union.

Two former trustees were named to these key posts, Charles Keegan of San Francisco as president and Eddie Manex of Oakland as vice-president. Both will serve until regular elections in February. Named trustees were Myra Gough, of Fresno Local 86, and Lola Chantler, of San Jose Local 33.

Lawrence Palacios, international vice-president, was a visitor and installed the new officers.

In reports from unions, the Oakland local reported a nine-cent wage increase approved by the War Labor Board. Los Angeles reported progress in organization and four new laundries signed. Many unions reported paid vacations were recently, and some reported that employers had paid workers for the Surrender Day holiday.

Next meeting was called for February, in Los Angeles.

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## Awful Agitators Ask For \$625 Annual Wage

Memphis, Tenn.

A demand for an annual income of \$625 a year for all farm labor in the cotton producing South has been raised by the Southern Tenant Farmers Union with headquarters here.

## Conference Called in S. F. Sept. 8 With Speakers On Central Valley Project

In recognition of labor's tremendous stake in the maximum development of the Central Valleys Project for California's water resources, both the State Federation of Labor and the California CIO are actively supporting a "clear the air" conference on CVP called by the Central Valleys Project Conference and the Farmer-Labor-Consumer Association of California. The conference

will serve to determine the present area of difference between the two plans. Both agencies will present requests for appropriations to the Reconversion Congress this fall.

**TWO MEETINGS**  
A speaker from the Farm Security Administration will give the standpoint of the small farmer and the returning veteran.

The meeting's afternoon session, for which a chairman will be elected, will adopt measures on the basis of the morning's findings, when the federal agencies will speak under the chairmanship of State Grange Master George Sehlmeier.

The conference offers an unprecedented opportunity for labor, the working farmer and the consumer to make known to Congress that their demand, in full knowledge of current army and reclamation proposals, is for maximum multi-purpose development of the Central Valleys to provide post-war employment, cheap publicly-owned power and controlled use of surplus waters.

Only in this way can the public interest represented by labor and rural groups offset the powerful lobbies of those private interests seeking to limit California's expanding economy to single-purpose facilities with uncontrolled use of surplus waters.

**SPONSORS LISTED**

C. J. Haggerty, Secretary of the State Federation of Labor, has asked that "the endorsement by the California Federation of the Central Valleys Project Conference be met with enthusiastic support by Central Labor Councils and union locals. In a project so close to our deepest interest, we must make a good showing at the San Francisco meeting."

Officers of the sponsoring committees include Assemblyman S. L. Heisinger of Fresno; Grange Master Sehlmeier of Sacramento; Thomas Small, San Mateo, vice-president of the State Federation of Labor; David Hedley, San Francisco, State Legislative chairman of the CIO; Harold Wurtsbaugh, Santa Clara, secretary of the Santa Clara-San Benito CIO Council; C. A. Green, Modesto, vice-president, State Federation of Labor; Mrs. Grace McDonald, Santa Clara, editor of the California Farm Reporter; George Burcham, Three Rivers, Associated Cooperatives, Inc.; Frank Corraia, Los Banos, president of the Western Cooperative Dairymen's Union.

Other officials of the sponsoring organizations are A. W. Stone of Dinuba, Master, Fresno County Grange; Winston Strong, agricultural education department, Fresno State College; Frank Swett, Martinez, officer of the Contra Costa County Irrigation District; Dr. Lawrence Thomas, Stanford University, of the Palo Alto Consumers Cooperative Society; Victor Bowker, Tulare, of the Porterville Turkey Cooperative; O. M. Davis, Kernan, Deputy of the Fresno Co. Grange; and Anthony Mattos, general manager of the Western Cooperative Dairymen's Union.

## 'V. J.' STATEMENT: Haggerty Warns Of Many Serious Problems Ahead

By C. J. HAGGERTY  
Secretary, California State Federation of Labor

San Francisco, Calif.

Words cannot express the heartfelt gratification that we all feel at the ending of this horribly cruel war and at the victory over our enemies. But to dwell on this event without realizing what V-J Day means to us would be to shirk our responsibilities and lull ourselves into a dangerous sense of security not warranted by actual conditions.

In order to give V-J Day full meaning we must tackle the problem of reconversion immediately and with all our energy and resources. The sudden termination of the war has taken practically everyone by surprise. Even when its ending in October or thereabouts was calculated as a possibility, it was estimated that a terrific shock would result, which civilian production could not possibly begin to absorb. Munitions production today is running at an estimated rate of \$49,900,000,000 a year. This sudden end of the war is likely to reduce the rate to \$17,700,000,000 a year. These estimates, based on private and governmental figures, permit an appreciation of the measure of the shock that may be expected. In other words, there will be a reduction of \$32,200,000,000 in the annual rate of war spending for munitions alone. On the other hand, automobile plants, refrigeration plants, washing machine factories and similar industries will not be able to absorb the men thrown out of work by the cutbacks, since these industries are still in the stage of drawing plans and getting equipment and materials to resume production.

**STATE PROBLEM ACUTE**  
In California, the problem is even more acute. Reliable sources estimate that 600,000 employees will be discharged within the next several months. War contracts will be cancelled wholesale. War orders under the law cannot be kept in force simply to avoid dislocations. Furthermore, when it is considered that additional manpower will be flooding the market due to discharges from the armed forces, the tremendous problem we are faced with in this state becomes unavoidably clear. That something must be done, and immediately, is evident. For the overall picture, Congress must convene immediately to pass upon certain essential legislation that has been gathering dust on its shelves.

**BILLS BEFORE CONGRESS**  
Now pending before Congress are several extremely important bills which can greatly help to facilitate the transition period that is now upon us.

The Murray-Tamm "Full Employment" bill, designed to provide many millions of jobs through the continued cooperation of labor, management and the government; the bill to provide a maximum of \$25 per week unemployment compensation up to 26 weeks on a national-wide scale, and providing federal funds where state funds are not available; the placing of the disposal of surplus property in a single administration; the Wagner-Murray-Dingell bill, broadening and liberalizing the whole field of social security; the bill amalgamating the various government agencies and streamlining the necessary reconversion tasks; as well as the numerous other proposals that have already been put in legislative form to help small business. These are only a few of the immediately essential steps that must be taken by Congress to prevent an alarming and catastrophic dislocation of our economy.

## FEDERATION HITS HOTEL GOUGE RATE

San Francisco, Calif.

During the conference of the United Nations several hotels engaged in the practice of overcharging for rooms that were transformed overnight from storage and kitchen quarters. This happened to one of the labor officials from Los Angeles, Brother Ralph A. McMullen, and as a result of his complaint to the State Federation of Labor, which in turn took up the matter with the OPA, the proprietor of the hotel has been penalized for violations of OPA rules and regulations as well as forced to make certain reimbursements for his overcharge.

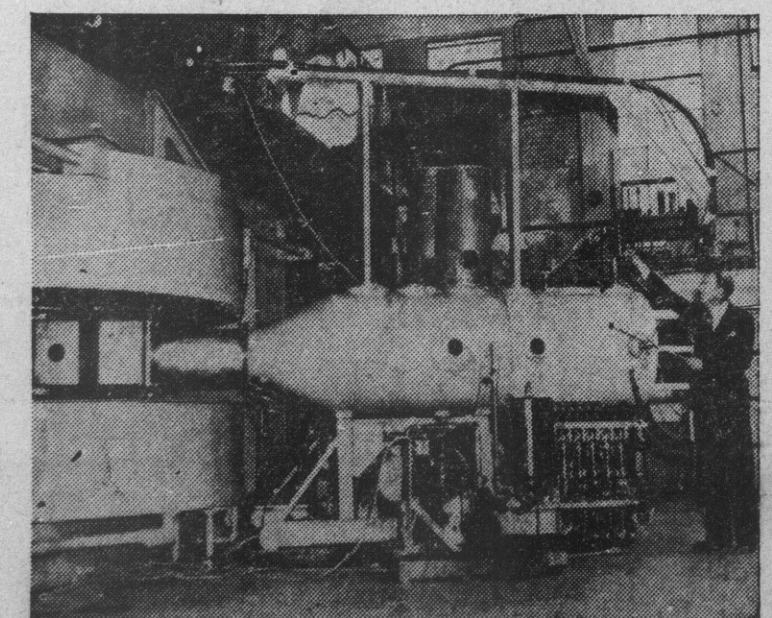
Because of the quick action taken by Brother McMullen in reporting this incident, it was possible for the Federation to get quick action from the OPA. As a result, this government agency has succeeded in discouraging other sharp practices by unethical hotel proprietors. Such complaints should always be called to the attention of the Federation and the OPA.

## No Aspirin Needed

Donald Rieberg, author of the Hatch-Burton-Ball-and-chain bill, says union leaders only hurt labor when they ask for more pay.

Some workers can stand a lot of pain.

## Where Atom-Smashing Began



No, that futuristic-looking machine is not something dreamed up by Buck Rogers. It's the powerful atom-smashing cyclotron, which played an indispensable role in development of the atomic bomb dropped on Japan. Dr. E. O. Lawrence, one of the pioneers in atomic research, stands alongside the cyclotron. (Federated Pictures)



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## The Labor Editor Speaks

### HERE COMES THE BARRAGE!

It's an old saying that figures don't lie but that liars do figure, and right after Hirohito threw in the sponge the liars were instructed to indulge in wholesale fashion over the radio. No doubt you have been hearing the flood of propaganda quickies to the effect that our victory was due to "free enterprise."

This, of course, is the biggest lie of the war. Our great war effort was not a private effort, but a *collective* effort. If we had left everything to "private enterprise" in this war, we would have been licked before we started. The fact remains that Uncle Sam (we, all of us) got the fighting forces together, mobilized and directed the production job, "dictated" the placing of manpower, told factories and mills and farms what to produce and how much, arbitrarily set prices on food, equipment, supplies and labor-power. If anything in this world was "public" and not "private," it was our war job.

Of course, the thing behind all this propaganda is the fear of powerful groups that the people might decide, as they recently did in England, that if collective effort in wartime can secure abundance it can be used to get abundance and full employment in peacetime. Organized Greed would much rather have millions out of work and breadlines in every city in the land than have our government use the same techniques in the war against poverty as it did in the war against fascism.

Don't be confused by this paid mendacity. Everybody believes in "private initiative," "individual enterprise." The United States is famed for it, and nobody wants to stifle it. What we *do* want to stifle is this business of poverty in the midst of potential plenty, profits of a few coming ahead of public welfare. If business and industry have sense enough to keep the economic machine hitting on all eight through private planning, no one will object. Experience shows, however, that "private initiative," left to its own devices, bungles the job. Profit is a powerful motive—for the one who makes the profit. It rarely plans for full employment, for security. The only agency that can do that is ourselves, through our government. As we listen to the siren slogans over the air waves, let's keep this fact in mind!

### THIS CHANGING WORLD

This world political situation is changing fast. Willkie's "One World" is nearer achievement than even he could foresee. Wallace's statement that this is the "century of the common man" is much nearer to common acceptance.

Reactionary magazines assert that the United States will probably be a capitalist "oasis" in a socialist world. It is freely predicted, now that a socialist government has been installed in Britain, that the governments of Belgium, Greece, Italy, France, probably Holland, maybe Spain, will become socialist. The Scandinavian countries are now mildly socialist. The trend is socialist in many others.

The control of world trade by international cartels breaks down as the result of military control of Germany, socialist control of Britain and probable anti-cartel action by other nations. Sweden has been the home of some of the cartels—and maybe a new leader. There may be a renewed attempt by the cartel gang in the United States, attempting to swing Western Hemisphere internationals. Of course, they are all for "free enterprise"—for themselves!

### MODESTY IS IN ORDER

In our jubilation over our own stupendous part in the victory over fascism, we must not permit jingoism to take the place of true patriotism. This war did not start December 7, 1941. It started way back in 1931, when Japan's first major aggression in Manchuria remained unchallenged. China was blasted by the invader seven years before we got into the war. Then came the sufferings of the peoples of Ethiopia, Spain and many others. China suffered many times the casualties we suffered in battle. Russia, taking the full weight of the German war machine for the better part of two horrible years, lost *twenty times* as many lives as we lost. The British casualties, in proportion to population, were much higher than our own. Poland lost a *fourth* of her population. We have suffered none of the colossal devastation of cities and countryside that descended in European Russia.

Let us take due credit for our great part in the victory, but let us remember that, without the joint efforts of Russia, China and Britain, we might eventually have been fighting for our lives on our own soil.

## GIGGLES AND GROANS

### OTHER INTERESTS

A man and his wife both believed firmly in reincarnation and made a solemn pact that the first one who died would devote all his efforts to communicating with the one who was still alive. In due course the husband passed away. Six months later, the widow was overjoyed to hear his voice one night as she sat drowsing over a newspaper. "Hello, how's tricks?" he said as calmly as though he had only left her ten minutes before to have a drink at the corner saloon.

"Darling!" she cried. "How are you?"  
"Fine and dandy," he said, "and there's a cow in the next field that has the most beautiful blue eyes you ever saw."

The widow brushed this startling information aside. "Tell me all about yourself," she insisted. "Are you happy?"  
"Sure, I'm happy," he said impatiently. "But let me tell you some more about that cow. Its sort of black and white and has the softest skin..."

"Gracious me," said the exasperated widow. "Here I am, dying to know about the secrets of reincarnation, and you keep talking to me about a fool cow!"

"Oh," said the dead husband, "I guess I forgot to tell you, I am now a bull in Montana."

### JUST TO MAKE SURE

A young bride walked into a drug store and timidly approached the clerk.

"The baby tonic you advertised," she said, "does it really make babies bigger and stronger?"

"We sell a lot of it," replied the druggist, "and we've never had a complaint."

"Well, I'll buy a bottle of it," said the bride. After making the purchase, she departed.

But in five minutes she was back. She leaned over the counter and whispered:

"Just one thing more—who takes it—my husband or me?"

### SNAP OCCUPATION

A casting director of a big Hollywood studio was interrupted by his secretary, who said, "There is a man outside who insists upon seeing you immediately."

"What does he do?" asked the casting director.

"He tells me," said the secretary, "that he specializes in sticking his right arm into the lion's cage in big jungle pictures."

"That sounds interesting," said the director. "What does he call himself?"

"Lefty," said the secretary.

### ADVANCE ORDER

Voice on the phone: Is this the Salvation Army?

Answer: Yes, it is.

Voice: Is it true that you save young girls?

Answer: Yes, it is.

Voice: Well, please save me one for Saturday night.

### FINALLY CAUGHT UP

Two veterans of World War I met in Baltimore. "Remember that saltpetre they used to put into our food in Camp Lee in 1918?" asked one. "I sure do," said the other.

"It's starting to take effect now," mourned the first.

### MONKEY-BUSINESS

Two old maid monkeys were chattering in a forest primeval. "Just look at that deer making a fool of herself for two bucks," said one. The other sighed, "I could use a little doe myself."

### THE MARCH OF TIME

The inquiring reporter from PM was making the rounds of the cracker-barrel set in a New Hampshire grocery. "Pop," he said to one old codger, "can you remember the first girl you ever kissed?" The old man gave a hollow laugh.

"Son," he remarked drily, "I can't even remember the last one."

### X MARKS THE SPOT

A country gentleman with a valise walked down the railroad track and tapped a busy section hand on the shoulder. "Hey, feller," he asked, "where do I get the Empire State Express?"

"If you don't get off that track," the section hand informed him, "you'll get it square in the behind."

### Mustn't Give Worker Too Much in Bonus, War Board Declares

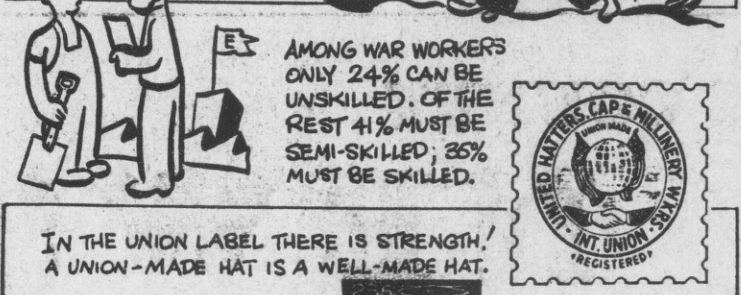
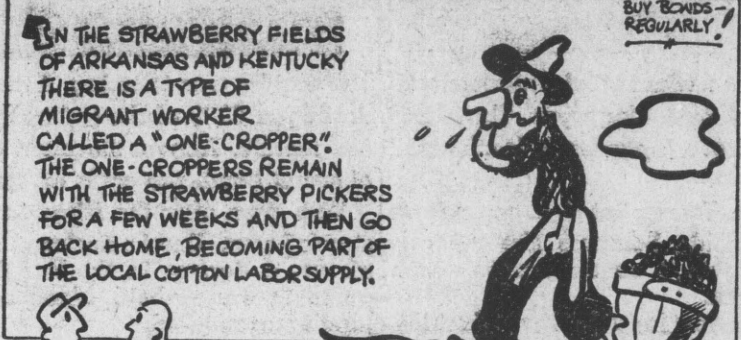
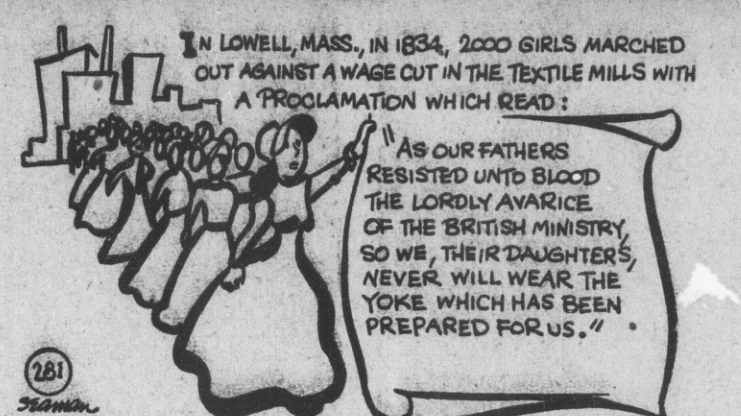
Washington, D. C.

The National War Labor Board won't let a profit-rich employer give away more bonus money than it believes is good for his workers.

In a decision from which labor members sharply dissented, the WLB directed that Lehman Bros., New York investment bankers, could not give a full 15 per cent bonus to its 138 employees, but must make it just 6 per cent.

The full 15 per cent bonus had been approved by the U. S. Treasury Department and was to be given voluntarily by the firm after it made profits of \$1,900,000 in 1944.

## THE MARCH OF LABOR



PRACTICAL MARINE ELECTRICITY, by Samuel N. LeCount and H. S. Dusenbery. Published by The Macmillan Company, 60 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y. Price \$3.50.

This valuable book, prepared by professors of the University of California, is indispensable to all workers interested in becoming qualified in the field of marine electricity. It was prepared as a home study course, with suggestions from the personnel of the Moore Dry Dock Company of Oakland and everything in it is based on practical experience.

The text is simply written, lavishly illustrated with charts, diagrams and pictures of equipment at work. The journeyman electrician, the ship electrician, the apprentice—all will find this practical work extremely helpful. Both LeCount and Dusenbery have been associated with detailed work in this field with the Moore Dry Dock Company, the former having been training supervisor for the firm for some time, and Dusenbery presently serving for the same company as electric training supervisor. Therefore, this book is not theoretical, but something that the worker can feel assured is based on practical work—something he can "get his teeth into."

Marine electricity is a big field, a growing field, an excellent opportunity for youngsters. The Macmillan Company has published a long list of splendid technical works helpful to mechanics, and this one is no exception. If you can't locate a copy in your book store, write direct to New York.

—AL SESSIONS.

## POEM OF THE WEEK

### Poverty of Riches

Much learning shows how little mortals know;  
Much wealth, how little worldlings can enjoy;  
At best, it babies us with endless toys,  
And keeps us children till we drop to dust.  
As monkeys at a mirror stand amaz'd,  
They fail to find what they so plainly see;  
Thus men, in shining riches, see the face  
Of happiness, nor know it is a shade;  
But gaze, and touch, and peep, and peep again,  
And wish, and wonder it is absent still.

—EDWARD YOUNG

### It Won't Help.... Redfield



"Don't bother me now, Susie. I'm drafting a letter to the War Dept. demanding that they release some of that atomic fission stuff for me to use on the union."

## YOUR DOLLAR

By CONSUMERS UNION

YOUR DOLLAR is a regular monthly feature. The facts and opinions are based on Consumer Reports, the monthly magazine of Consumers Union, 17 Union Sq., New York 3, N.Y., a non-profit organization whose main object is to safeguard buyers by testing and reporting on consumer goods.

### Preventing Sunburn

Consumers Union technicians tested 49 different sunburn preventive preparations sold in drug and department stores and found that more than half of them could be relied upon to keep the burn-producing ultra violet rays of sunlight from reaching the skin. CU warns, however, that all of the sunburn preventive creams and lotions must be applied carefully to be sure that all exposed areas of the skin are covered. Furthermore, since the preventives will not stand up under water and perspiration, for maximum protection it is necessary to reapply the preventive at intervals of an hour or so.

Both laboratory and actual use tests showed the following sunburn preventives to be effective and among the least expensive of the brands tested. Baby Suntan Lotion, 50c for four ounces, Skol, 79c for 6 1/2 ounces and Noxzema's Suntan Lotion, 39c for three ounces.

### Cigaret Makers

Consumers Union tests of many types and brands of cigarette makers showed that good cigarettes can be made at home. Those who still can't find enough cigarettes for their needs, or who like to experiment with different kinds of tobacco, can now get simple and inexpensive cigarette makers for home use.

Whether you will save money by making your own cigarettes depends on your tastes in tobacco. The price of cigarette tobacco runs from a few cents to about 40c an ounce. Since a standard pack of cigarettes contains about an ounce of tobacco, you will save money only if you pay less per ounce for the tobacco and paper than the price you pay for a pack of cigarettes.

The following brands were given high ratings by CU: The Cigarette Maker (manufacturer not given; purchased at Landau's, 132 Nassau St., New York City) 25c, compact roller type, made very good cigarettes in about 30 seconds. Maero, 35c, compact roller type, similar to the Cigarette Maker, Beta, 45c, roller type, produced good cigarettes in about 40 seconds. Cig-Jig, 35c, stuffer type, made excellent cigarettes in about 2 1/2 minutes.



"Well, that's about enough of this," said Little Luther, letting the lawn mower drop with a thud. "I'm going fishing."

"Come back here, you!" shouted Mr. Dilworth warningly from the hammock. "You haven't even finished mowing one-fifth of the lawn yet and then you have to help your mother in the victory garden."

"But, Pop," Little Luther protested. "It's much more important that I go fishing, really it is."

"Humph!" said Mr. Dilworth. "What can be so important about fishing?"

"Don't you read the papers any more, Pop?" Little Luther demanded. "Why, it's become such a major war activity that it's even got a priority. Some of our highest officials are doing it and I guess they ought to know what's important and what isn't."

"Who and what are you talking about?" snapped Mr. Dilworth.

"Fishing, Pop," Little Luther explained. "The same thing I've been talking about all along. Gee whiz, Pop, it's as clear as the red in your nose. If Congress decides to go fishing instead of staying in Washington and giving unemployed workers 25 bucks a week so they won't starve, and passing a full employment bill so everyone can have jobs, and doing some real planning so we won't have a terrific depression smack us in the fact almost any minute, why then fishing must be just about the most important thing a guy can do for his country. And I'm leaving right away," Little Luther insisted.

"There's no more time to lose."

"Hold on, son!" cried Mr. Dilworth, leaping out of his hammock. "I'll come with you!"

Mrs. Dilworth in her victory garden watched her husband and son go racing out of the yard. "Those nitwits," she muttered angrily. "They'll come home smelling as fishy as Congress."

### All Graduated

A high official of the State Department was chatting with two of Molotov's experts at San Francisco, and they got around to discussing just where they came from.

"Me Leningrad," said the first Russian.

"Me Stalingrad," said the second Russian.

"Me Harvard grad," said the third State Department official.

## Victory at the Waldorf



Now it's not only the guests at the world famous Hotel Waldorf Astoria in New York who are happy. These grinning workers are rejoicing at a 3 to 1 victory scored by Local 6, Hotel & Restaurant Employees Intl. Alliance (AFL), in an NLRB-election covering all Waldorf culinary departments. Business Agent Antonio Lopez of Local 6 (second from left, bottom) is congratulated by workers for his swell organizing drive. (Federated Pictures)

## Teamster Paper Warns Against Danger From Haters of Russia

World peace rests on the relations between the United States and Russia. Naturally, there will be disagreements between them, aggravated by differences in language, race, religion and economics. The economic differences are the greatest menace.

Powerful influences in the United States have become rich and fat on isolationism and the monopolistic economy it produces. These influences are fanatically fighting the growing friendship for Russia in the United States. They are going even to the extent of advocating war between Russia and the United States. A war between the United States and Russia would probably last 25 years. And while the two nations were wearing each other out, Germany would probably perfect one of her secret weapons and wipe out both Russia and the United States with some fiendish death ray.

The only chance Germany has to rise again is through discord or conflict among the allies. Therefore it is not surprising to find the same people promoting distrust of Russia who told us Germany was "a peace-loving nation."

—INTERNATIONAL TEAMSTER (AFL)

## THE BAKER PROTESTS

'Tis Summer time, and Sunday night.

The day has been sunny, warm and bright.

The homeward trek begins at last. The people tired out with the day now past.

Going home to their suppers and a sweet night's repose.

To dream about victory and countless clothes.

Then rise in the morning, some early, some late,

To start work at the factory or shop about eight.

But the poor baker knows nothing of this.

'Tis not for him the heavenly bliss Of sleeping at night and working by day.

No, he earns his living the opposite way.

He sleeps through the day and toils through the night.

And then after the darkness gives way to the light,

He will draw the last batch, and off home he will go.

And as long as he sticks it 'twill always be so.

So after the war, and we all start again,

We must all stand together and fight night and main.

To abolish this evil of nights, to bake bread,

And with luck we might do it before we're all dead.

—THE JOURNEYMAN BAKER.

### Or Stayed at Home

Rep. Clare Boothe Luce (R., Conn.) for once in her career got a unanimous vote when she made her dramatic debut in a summer production of George Bernard Shaw's *Candida*.

The decision from the critics: she should've stood in Congress.

One critic, a little more frank than the others, remarked: "It was a little difficult to tell whether she had stage fright or WAS a stage fright."

## KEEP THIS IN MIND!

Fascists, both the foreign and domestic brand, simply love Reader's Digest. Gerald L. K. Smith, labor-baiter, race-baiter and rabble-rouser, recently said: "God bless Reader's Digest!"

The 805th Tank Destroyer Battalion of the U. S. Army reports that on March 28 the Nazis fired "ammunition" at them which consisted of reprints of an anti-Russia article which originally appeared in the Digest. A Nazi paper used an anti-Russian article by Wm. L. White which appeared in the Digest. Dictator Franco and the Argentine dictators have been reprinting Max Eastman's articles against Russia in the Digest. One of Goebbels' propaganda magazines used Digest article (printed in 1943) to show how the United States was starving.

## AFL Leaders Get Together



AFL Second Vice-Pres. Matthew Woll (left) shakes hands with Pres. William L. Hutchison of United Bro. of Carpenters following opening session of the AFL executive council's midsummer meeting in Chicago. Both joined in the council statement warning that V-J Day would find the U. S. unprepared to meet reconversion headaches. (Federated Pictures)



## SALINAS UNION DIRECTORY

CALIFORNIA STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR—Vice-President for San Mateo, Santa Clara, San Benito, Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties—Thomas A. Small, San Mateo, California, Phone San Mateo 3-8789.

BAKERS 24—Meets 3rd Saturday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main, at 5 p.m. Pres. Judson F. Flint, 201 Archer, phone 3298, Secy. Louis Grasso, 251 Clay St., phone 8819, Bus. Agent, Hans Top, 1128 Laurie Ave., San Jose, phone Ballard 6341. Office at 72 N. Second St., San Jose, phone Ballard 8341.

BARBERS 827—Meets 3rd Monday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main, at 8 p.m. Pres. John Durnell, 533 E. Alisal, Secretary, Leon J. Smith, 117 Main St., phone 4302.

BARTENDERS 545—Meets 1st Monday at 2 p.m. and 3rd Monday at 8 p.m. at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts. Pres. Eddie Rose, Secretary and Business Agent, Karl E. Hess. Office at Teamsters Hall, phone 6209.

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CARPENTERS 925—Meets first and third Tuesdays at 7:30, Carpenters' Hall, North Main St. Pres. Roy Willis; Vice-Pres., R. Timmerman; Bus. Agt., George Harter; Sec. H. L. Taft, 243 Clay St., Phone 4246; Treas. R. L. Thurman, 5 Port Ave., Rec. Sec. Amos Schofield.

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CULINARY ALLIANCE 467—No regular meetings scheduled, and subject only to call. Secretary Bertha A. Boles. Office at Teamsters Hall, Main and John Sts., phone 6209.

ENGINEERS (OPERATING) 165—Meets 2nd Monday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts. at 8 p.m. Pres. C. R. Ingersoll, P.O. Box 2, Freedom, Secretary, Harry Vosburgh, 404 California St., Salinas, phone 4972.

INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCE OF THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS, LOCAL 611—Meets first Tuesday every other month 10 a.m. in Watsonville Labor Temple; Pres. Art Reina, 605 Mae Ave., Phone Salinas 9795; Bus. Agent James Wilson, 80 Peyton St., Santa Cruz, Phone 1216; Rec. Sec., Chas. Covey, 364 Walnut Ave., Santa Cruz.

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS, Local Union 243—Meets the first Tuesday in each month at the Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., at 8:00 p.m. C. B. Phillips, Bus. Mgr. Phone 3361, 25 Harvest St. E. M. Bills, Pres. Phone 6524.

HOD CARRIERS AND LABORERS UNION 272—Meets second Monday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at 117 Pajaro St. R. Fenchel, Pres., 17 Railroad Ave.; J. F. Mattos, Sec., 104 Lang St., Salinas; J. B. McGinley, Bus. Agent, office at 117 Pajaro St.

LATHERS UNION NO. 463—Meets in Salinas Labor Temple second and fourth Fridays, 8 p.m. President, Roy R. Benge, Hilby St., Monterey, Phone Monterey 4820; Sec. Treas. Dean S. Seefeldt, 526 Park St., Salinas, Phone 9223.

MONTEREY COUNTY CENTRAL LABOR UNION—Meets every Friday evening at 8:00 p.m. at Teamsters' Hall, John and Main Sts.; W. G. Kenyon, Sec. Treas., 426 Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts., phone 4893; home phone 8539. Pres., F. H. L. Sprague, ph. 3863. Labor Council Negotiation Committee: Albert Harris, Main and John Sts., ph. 4983; Geo. Harter, Carpenters Hall, 422 N. Main St., ph. 5721.

OPERATIVE PLASTERERS AND CEMENT FINISHERS OF SALINAS AND MONTEREY COUNTY, LOCAL UNION NO. 763: Meets second and fourth Friday of the month at 8:00 p.m., at Rodeo Cafe, Fred Randon, Secretary, 31 Buena Vista, Salinas, Phone 1423; Pres. Don Frick.

PAINTERS 1104—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts., at 7:30 p.m. Pres. Donald McBeth, 1014 Le Costa St., phone 4126. Secretary and Business Agent, Dennis Hartman, 614 Mae Ave., phone 8783.

PLUMBERS AND STEAM FITTERS' UNION Local 503—Meets second Wednesday of each month, 8:00 p.m., Salinas Labor Temple. Pres. Orin Borden, Recording Secretary, William Farr; Financial Secretary, Erwin Goodson. Office at 215 E. Alisal St. Phone 3463. Executive Board meets each Tuesday night at Labor Temple.

POSTAL CARRIERS 1046—Meets every 3rd Monday alternately at homes of members at 8:30 p.m. President, L. E. Pierce, 43 Romer Lane, phone 3173. Secretary, H. C. Schreier, 636 El Camino Real, No., phone 7080.

PRESSMEN 328—Meets last Tuesday of month, alternating between Salinas and Watsonville. Pres., Milo Wingard, 339 West St., Salinas, Secretary, Milo Martella, 225 Monterey St., Salinas.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Monterey at 411 1/2 Alvarado St., and at Salinas at 117 Pajaro St. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres. John Alsop, P.O. Box 317, Pacific Grove, phone 7825. Fin. and Rec. Secy., F. F. Knowles, 232 River St., Santa Cruz, phone 1276-J. Bus. Agent for Salinas area, J. B. McGinley, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 6777. Bus. Agent for Monterey, L. T. Long, 411 1/2 Alvarado St., Monterey.

STATE COUNTY MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES 420—Meets on call at Labor Temple. President, H. E. Lyons, 15 West Street. Secretary, R. M. Allen, 124 East Alisal Street, Salinas.

SUGAR REFINERY WORKERS UNION No. 20616—President, Les Hutchings; Secy., Geo. Ulrichsen, Spreckels. Meets in Forrester's Hall, Salinas, 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7:30 p.m.

GENERAL TEAMSTERS AND AUTO TRUCK DRIVERS' UNION, LOCAL NO. 281—Meets first Wednesday in Oct., Jan., April, July at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts., Salinas, phone 7590.

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TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION NO. 545—R. C. Sprague, Salinas, Pres.; A. C. Davis, Sec. Treas., 109 Prospect St., Watsonville. Meets last Sunday, alternating between Watsonville and Salinas.

UNITED SLATE, TILE & COMPOSITION ROOFERS, DAMP & WATERPROOF WORKERS ASSOCIATION 50—Meets 3rd Friday, 8 p.m., Watsonville Labor Temple; Pres. E. E. Lehr, 142-11th St., Pacific Grove. Sec., Frank Walker, 327 Alexander St. Salinas, Phone 9668.

WAREHOUSEMEN 890—Meets first Tuesday night at Teamsters' Hall, John and Main streets. Office at same address, phone 4893. President, Albert Harris. Secretary, W. G. Kenyon. Financial secretary and business representative, Peter A. Andrade.

## Lesson on Soviet Labor: KUZNETSOV, HEAD OF RUSS UNIONS, EXPLAINS SET-UP, THANKS AMERICA FOR HELP

New York City

American reporters got a lesson in Soviet trade unionism from an expert teacher, Vasily Kuznetsov, head of the USSR's 25 million union members.

Kuznetsov, who is chairman of the All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions, met the press at a labor conference. He and nine other Soviet labor leaders are touring the U. S.

Membership in the Soviet unions is voluntary, Kuznetsov said, pointing out that 85 percent of the eligible workers are organized into 171 industrial unions. Conventions are held annually and election of all officers, from committeemen in the shops to the top leadership, take place annually by secret ballot.

REPLIES TO GREEN Asked to comment on an article by AFL President William Green in which he charged that the Soviet unions are undemocratic and had not held any conventions since 1932, the Russian said he preferred to wait until he had read the article.

But, he added, despite great transportation difficulties, the All-Union Council of Trade Unions held a limited convention of 1500 delegates in March 1945 and a previous one was held in April 1944.

Kuznetsov met the question of the right to strike, which has popped up at all his press conferences in the U. S., with a patient smile. "I feel some of you want to say strikes are not allowed and therefore we are not democratic," he remarked. "Officially, it is possible for workers to strike but we do not see why we should strike if it is possible for us to settle our differences otherwise."

"We had strikes 30 years ago. But we feel we have made big improvements for labor over 30 years ago and it would be a backward step to return to those conditions."

GRIEVANCE PROBLEM The Soviet labor leader described at great length how grievances are handled by the unions, after pointing out that Soviet union members have "the same problems that face labor everywhere — wages, grievances, hours, safety, housing."

Every plant works committee, which represents the union, has a subcommittee on wages to make sure that management fulfills its wage obligations, he said. Any grievance on wages goes to the subcommittee and if it is not settled there, the case goes to the plant grievance committee, composed equally of labor and management representatives.

Most disputes are settled at this stage but if not, the case goes to the central committee of the national union, which takes it up with the commissariat in charge of the industry. If there is still disagreement, then the decision of the union goes into effect. Management can appeal to the government, if the case is considered important enough, but the All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions has the right to make recommendations.

LAUDS U. S. HELP Praising the economic help of the U. S. during the war which, he said, came "just in time," Kuznetsov expressed the hope that sound economic relations between the two countries would be continued during the difficult reconstruction days now facing the Soviet Union.

CITY COUNCIL OF NEW YORK BEHIND SEAMEN INCREASE The New York City council unanimously adopted a resolution asking the National War Labor Board to approve a petition for an increase in the merchant seamen's basic wage rate. The resolution was introduced by Councilman Benjamin J. Davis Jr. on behalf of the National Maritime Union.

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**MINUTES****Bldg. Trades Council**

Minutes of the Building and Construction Trades Council of Monterey County, August 16, 1945.

Meeting called to order by President Wm. J. Dickerson at 8 p.m. Roll call showed five Local Unions represented. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. All bills were ordered paid.

**CORRESPONDENCE**  
Received a copy of a letter sent the Carmel Plumbing Co. notifying the firm that the Electrician in his employ had failed in his examination and he would not be permitted to install electric wiring or fixtures. The letter was approved by the Council.

Received a letter from the Building and Construction Trades Department of A. F. of L. stating the overtime compensation pay for re-conversion work at 1½ times the basic rate. That all new structures and additions will not be considered as re-conversion work and overtime rate as of October 3, 1942 shall prevail. (Filed.)

Received a copy of the minutes from the Building and Construction Trades Council of Santa Clara County. (Filed.)

Received copy of the amended law to the California Unemployment Insurance Act, whereby any employer who employs one or more persons whose total wages exceed \$100 in any calendar quarter to carry State Unemployment Insurance.

Received from the State Building and Construction Trades Council a copy of opinion of Attorney General Robert W. Kenny, holding that municipalities employees are entitled to organize and bargain for hours, wages and conditions. Also an opinion that Housing Authorities have power to bargain with employees.

Received two pamphlets from the OPA explaining how to keep down inflation.

Received a letter from the U. S. Treasury Department, thanking Labor for their part in the 7th War Loan drive.

From the California State Federation of Labor, two weekly news letters and a Quarterly Bulletin.

**BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT**  
Brother Long reports some 25 new jobs started during the past week; several of them are being built by the owner in order to have somewhere to live. Some contractors are using laborers for craftsmen which makes it expensive as he is required to pay the laborer the craft rate of wages. Help could be used in all crafts.**NEW BUSINESS**

Some discussion, but no action.

**REPORTS OF LOCAL UNIONS**Brother J. J. Carpenter, Electric Workers No. 1072, well attended meeting, that four of their members took withdrawals to go into business for themselves.  
Brother D. Z. O'Neill, Plumbers No. 62, good meeting, request that all craftsmen ask to see the working card of the man on the job before going to work. Make your card worth something.Brother Perry Luce, Hod Carriers and Laborers No. 690, good meeting, routine business.  
**GOOD OF THE COUNCIL**  
Several minutes of discussion on the wage adjustment for building crafts. They recommend that each Local union work with sister Local Union to have a uniform wage set for the Northern District of California.

No further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

— L. T. LONG,

Secretary-Manager.

**Free Board and Room Given to Camp Workers**San Diego, Calif.  
Free board and room will be provided AFL building tradesmen employed at the Mitchell Army Convalescent Hospital at Campo as the result of an unusual decision by the Wage Adjustment Board.

The ruling came after a personal appeal in Washington, D.C., by Sec. K. G. Bitter of the San Diego Building Trades Council, who stressed the remote, isolated location of the work in mountainous country 50 miles of here, the difficult living conditions and general inability to find suitable accommodations.

Soon after his return to San Diego Bitter was informed by telegram from the WAB that the contractor would be authorized to meet living expenses of the men, numbering about 250. The board, however, emphasized that this award was not to be construed as a precedent in the granting of subsistence pay.

**Race Hate Costly**

If the Nazis hadn't driven out some of Germany's best Jewish scientists, they might have beaten the allies in the race to develop the atomic bomb.

Just another case of how the supermen were tripped up by what they loved to call a mongrel race.

**IGNORANCE**—When you don't know something and somebody finds it out.**South States Badly Behind On Security**

Washington, D. C.

In the 10 years since it was established, the Social Security Board has set up employee accounts under the old-age and survivor insurance program for 80,504,000 U. S. workers.

That figure was released by the board on occasion of its recent tenth anniversary and covered accounts through the year 1944. Of this number, 48,579,000 workers had wages credited to their accounts, and 31,925,000 were accumulating benefits that totaled over \$61½ million.

For the U. S. as a whole, including Hawaii and Alaska, the average wage credit per worker under the old age and survivors insurance program in 1943 was \$1271. The highest state average was Michigan with \$1512, with Connecticut a close second at \$1500.

**RECORD FOR BILBO**

Lowest in rank among the states was Sen. Theo. G. Bilbo's Mississippi, with \$533. Alabama had a state average of \$828, California \$1231, Georgia \$711, Illinois \$1220, Indiana \$1192, Iowa \$872, Maryland \$1149, Massachusetts \$1266, Minnesota \$1055, Missouri \$964, New Jersey \$1296, New York \$1251, Ohio \$1340, Pennsylvania \$1302, Washington \$1170, Montana \$1008, and Oregon \$1176.

Through the years from 1940 to 1944, the average weekly benefit paid under unemployment compensation laws of the states have risen from \$10.56 to \$15.90 as a national average. This represents a gain of 51 per cent, but still is far from the \$25 a week for 26 weeks asked by President Truman.

The lowest range in maximum duration of benefits under unemployment compensation is in Arizona and Mississippi with 12 weeks. Illinois, Maryland, New Jersey, New York and Washington have a top of 26 weeks.

**LOW SOUTH FIGURES**

When the figures go into the minimum weekly benefits provided as of state laws through June, 1945, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Missouri are tied with a pitiful No. 3 figure. The top range of minimum payments is held by California, Illinois, New York, Oregon and Washington with a basic \$10 a week.

As to peak or maximum figures in weekly benefits, the lowest is \$15 a week in Arkansas, Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Mississippi, Montana, New Mexico, South Dakota, Tennessee and Virginia.

At the top with \$25 a week stand Hawaii, Utah and Washington.

A figure of \$28 can be reached in Connecticut and Michigan with dependents' allowances figured into the total.

**More Benefits For Jobless To Be Opposed By Commerce Group**Washington, D. C.  
The U. S. Chamber of Commerce has come out openly against any increase in unemployment compensation payments for jobless war workers.

In a statement released here, the Chamber attacked the proposal of President Harry S. Truman to liberalize payments of unemployment compensation to a top of \$25 a week for 26 weeks.

The Chamber claimed that "all states have liberalized their laws since the adoption of the social security system," by expanding coverage, increasing benefits and lengthening the duration of payments as well as cutting down the waiting periods.

As a clincher, the Chamber said that the assertion that the U. S. must supplement unemployment benefits "is not borne out by the record."

The U. S. Social Security Agency, however, reported that in 1944, the average weekly benefit for total unemployment was \$15.90, ranging from North Carolina's \$7.91 to Hawaii's \$19.57.

**Italian Socialists, Liberals Disagreeing On Taking Over Fleet**Rome, Italy  
The Italian Socialists' plan to nationalize the merchant navy has presented another serious disagreement within the Government between the Socialists and the Liberals.

The Socialists, however, hope to carry through their plan, aided by the presence of one of their members in the Under-Secretariat of State for the Merchant Navy. The Liberals, in their argument against the measure, insist that such nationalization would prevent the Italian shipowners from carrying out the transfer to Italy of their assets abroad.

**NO WONDER CHURCHILL GOT GATE!**

A Greek delegate to the recent San Francisco conference, on his way home, told George Seldes, publisher of "In Fact," that the American press had practically ignored one of the big stories of the war. Here is what he reported:

Scobie, the British general, shelled Greek civilians and killed 12,000 of them.

This statement was backed up independently by the London Tribune of June 29, which, in discussing Greek fascists backed up by the Churchill government, declared General Scobie in smashing the ELAS (Greek liberation group) had killed 11,000 and that 3,000 were killed by air bombardments in Kolonia, one suburb of Athens.

**LEADERS OF WHITE COLLAR WORKERS STUDY ORGANIZING**Lake Forest, Illinois  
Fifty AFL and CIO white collar workers from cities as widely scattered as Atlanta, Denver and Toronto have completed two weeks at the Summer School for Office Workers, sponsored by the American Labor Education Service here, where they learned how organization can help them solve their problems.**Hearing Called On Closed Shop Bill Sept. 8th**Washington, D. C.  
Sponsors of the B-2 H Bill to outlaw the closed shop, forbid strikes and restrain other legitimate activities of labor unions expected hearings on the measure to begin soon after Sept. 8. Vigorously opposed by all labor, the bill has been the particular target of the AFL executive council at its Chicago meeting.**INDIA RAIL LABOR LAUNCHING DRIVE FOR BETTER WAGE**Calcutta, India  
The All-India Railwaymen's Federation has launched a militant campaign for an increased dearness allowance of Rs. 45/- per month (\$13.50), abolition of unsatisfactory new rates of pay and a basic minimum wage of Rs. 36/- per month (\$10.80).**Clothing Union Going Out For \$1 Per Day Hike**

New York City

A \$1 daily wage increase, an old age retirement fund and six paid holidays for 150,000 clothing workers throughout the country were demanded by the Amalgamated Clothing Workers at a conference with the Clothing Manufacturers Association of the U. S.

More than 100 union representatives and clothing manufacturers attended the opening conference session at which ACW Pres. Sidney Hillman presented the union demands. Both sides agreed to designate subcommittees which will continue the discussions for a new collective bargaining agreement.

"We want labor to be assured of decent earnings in the transition and post-war periods," Hillman told the employers, declaring that it was vital to the national economy to maintain high purchasing power. Hillman also pointed out that no wage increase has been granted in the clothing industry since April 1942, an increase which had been agreed upon the previous year.

**NOTICE TO PAINTERS**

Members of a Painters Union No. 507 are hereby notified that the meetings of the union will be changed on September 1, 1945, and will be held on the second and fourth Monday of each month.

We hope by this change the brothers will show more interest in their Local and attend the meetings with more regularity.

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**GREEN HITS 'RACE HATE' FOMENTERS**

Washington, D. C.

"The shocking disclosures published by the Scripps-Howard newspapers with regard to the organization of hate campaigns in America should serve as a powerful reminder that the war against Fascism has not yet been on the home front," declares William Green, AFL president.

"Every decent and intelligent American must realize that those who seek to incite prejudice and promote discrimination are the real enemies of our democracy, no matter how flamboyantly they wrap themselves in the American flag."

"Significantly, we find the hate propaganda directed not only against racial and religious groups but also against labor. This is a shrewd and profitable device by which the unprincipled racketeer elements who lurk behind the scenes of the hate movements have managed to line their pockets with contributions from wealthy anti-labor individuals."

**Editor of Paper For Auto Workers Passes**Detroit, Michigan  
Edward Levinson, editor of the United Automobile Worker, official newspaper of United Auto Workers, died here recently after an illness of two weeks.**New York Holds 'Tags' To Aid Yugoslavians**New York City  
Tag days to raise \$75,000 to equip clinics and hospitals for the care of tubercular children in Yugoslavia are being held throughout Greater New York.**Fair Practices Offices Closed By Cut in Fund**

Washington, D. C.

Because of the sharp reduction in its budget resulting from the bitter congressional battle over its continuance, the President's Committee of Fair Employment Practice announced that it has closed regional offices at Cincinnati and New Orleans. FEPC Chairman Malcolm Ross said that three additional offices at Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Kansas City were to be closed August 25.



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